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The Basic Food Index (BFI) for the month of October 2016 is registered at 99.5 points, a slight decrease of 0.6% from the September index of 100.1 points.

At the end of October, average retail prices for 10 out of 18 food items covered in the BFI survey did not change from the previous month. Average prices for two food items (eggs and sugar) decreased in the month of October. Food items in which average prices increased are: cereal, canned tuna, canned mackerel, soda, vegetable oil, and soy sauce.

Six major food outlets were selected for this monthly survey.

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